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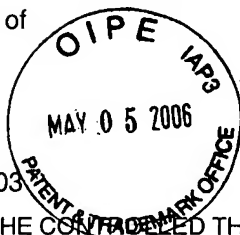
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Filed: October 22, 2003

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Date: May 4, 2006

Title: METHOD FOR THE CONTROLLED THICKENING OF LOW CONSISTENCY  
FIBER SUSPENSIONS (AS AMENDED)Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.****Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment **18** minus highest number  
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Independent claims after amendment **2** minus highest number  
previously paid for **3** (at least 3) = 0 x \$200.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$

If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add  
\$360.00 (1203)/\$180.00 (2203) \$

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Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/\$65.00 (2814) \$

☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith

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May 5, 2006

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**AMENDMENT 4**

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 2, 2006, the following amendments and remarks which were originally filed on February 14, 2006 are being resubmitted for entry into the Official Record and consideration by the Examiner. In this regard, the previously incorrect identifier for claim 15 has now been corrected per the amendment instructions below.

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**AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE:**

Please amend the title of the subject application as follows:

**METHOD ~~AND APPARATUS~~ FOR THE CONTROLLED THICKENING  
OF LOW CONSISTENCY FIBER SUSPENSIONS**